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Internal Revenue Service

Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division
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**EXPERIMENTAL PACKAGING AND MARKETING
OF DISTILLED SPIRITS IN PVC PLASTIC
LIQUOR BOTTLES AND NON-RIGID MINIATURE
CONTAINERS**

Proprietors of Distilled Spirits Plants,
Manufacturers of Liquor Bottles,
Importers, Wholesale Liquor Dealers
and Others Concerned:

This Industry Circular is issued to remind you of the approaching termination date of the experiments for bottling of distilled spirits in polyvinyl chloride plastic bottles (Industry Circular 70-33) and non-rigid miniature containers (Industry Circular 70-9) and to invite final comments and/or technical data relevant thereto. These experiments, first authorized on November 21, 1968 and February 4, 1970, respectively, are scheduled to terminate on December 31, 1971.

Any new comments and data you have should be submitted so as to reach this office no later than October 15, 1971. After a careful review of all accumulated data relating to the above experiments and any additional information received prior to October 15, 1971, and the advice of the Environmental Protection Agency, we shall issue a final decision with respect to the acceptability of polyvinyl chloride plastic bottles and non-rigid miniature containers for permanent use in bottling distilled spirits. We expect to make this decision by November 15, 1971. If the decision is to authorize the permanent use of either or both types of container for the purposes indicated, we will issue the necessary authorization with a future effective date, possibly April 1, 1972. In this event, the presently authorized experiment(s) will be extended to cover the intervening period.

Rex D. Davis, Director
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